1	2	3	4	5
5.	Villupuram-Katpadi (161 kms)	5.04	10	Earthwork and bridge works are in progress.
6.	Thanjavur-Villupuram (192 kms)	66.6	50.01	On this project, work on Thanjavur-Kumbakonam has already been completed and commissioned. Kumbakonam-Mayiladuturai (32 kms) is targeted for completion during 2005-06. This work is being implemented by Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd. (RVNL).
7.	Cuddatore-Salem *via* Vridhachalam (191 kms)	65.85	85	On this project, work on Vridhachalam-Cuddalore (57 kms) has already been completed and commissioned. Vridhachalam-Attur (83 kms) is targeted for completion during 2005-06. This work is being implemented by RVNL.

Mumbai-Ahmedabad bullet train project

4009. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to dump the prestigious Mumbai-Ahmedabad bullet train project; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRIR. VELU): (a) and (b) Ministry of Railways has posed High Speed Rail Link Project between Mumbai—Ahmedabad under Development Study Programme of Japanese Technical Cooperation Programme for the year 2005-06, through the Ministry of Finance. Government have subsequently communicated to Japanese authorities that the feasibility study on the project may not be taken in view of the change of priority of the project.

Modernisation of Infrastructure

4010. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
SHRI SUDARSHAN AKARAPU:
SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Railways propose to take up modernization of infrastructure to put Railways on high-tech track;

(b) if so, details of the project with outlay involved; and

(c) the safety-related action plan to control rail accidents and enhance safety and security of the passengers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the different segments of Integrated Railway Modernisation Plan (IRMP) and the outlays involved are as under

(Rs. in Crores)

Sl. No	item	Anticipated Cost	Physical Progress and Funds Required			
			2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09 2009-2010
1.	Passenger Business Segment	5736.80	972.80	11198.40	1398.20	1235.20 932.20
2.	Freight Business Segment	5213.00	970.80	1030.80	1076.80	1067.80 1066.80
3.	Other Modernisation Initiatives	12995.43	3176.52	3915.77	2348.64	1718.60 1835.90